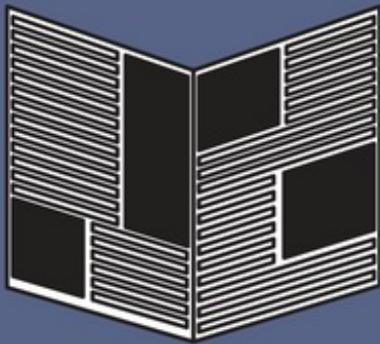


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A Change of Scenery

Until recently (2016 to be exact), I had never played a game of golf in my life. Mini golf doesn't count – we've all done that at some point. But the actual full-on game, nope.

I couldn't understand why it was so intriguing to people. First, watching golf on the television is boring enough to make me take a nap (and I rarely fall asleep watching TV). Second, the idea of hitting a little ball with a club and then chasing said ball all over a course sounded exhausting to me. And third, there had been no reason for me to learn the game. No one in my family ever played and I had very little exposure to it, even after I moved out of my parent's home.

However, after my husband introduced me to his maternal grandfather on his 75 birthday, I learned that the man had been playing golf for 20 years – the entire time he'd been living on the [Chewelah Golf Course](#) (an hour north of [Spokane, WA](#)). He hadn't played before then either – his preferred sports had been

competition skiing (which he continued to do until well into his 80s) and competition ice skating (which he'd done in his native country of Norway while growing up). Golf wasn't anywhere on his radar for most of his life. But then his first wife had found a home on the other side of the state that reminded her of Norway and he bought her the house and neighboring lot right on the course.

Fast forward sixteen (16) years to when I worked at the local airplane manufacturing company here in Seattle. One of the things they did every year was a golfing tournament. Nothing too stressful, just fun and games for those involved. Certain vendors and customers would sometimes join in on the fun and each group was made up of four people.

Having never played before, I went home that night and told my hubby I wanted to learn how to play golf – and had signed up to play in the tournament in a few months. So, over the next few months, I learned how to play golf. And while I did terrible for my first time out, I found I enjoyed the game a great deal.

Why all this background and personal information? Well, beginning this Saturday, I will be in [Chewelah, WA](#) until Memorial Day – sort of a vacation/work retreat for me. I'm making myself available to those companies on the east side of the mountains who might be on the fence about hiring a [virtual assistant](#). And considering I'll be staying at my in-laws right on the golf course, if anyone wants to talk business and play a round of nine, I am game.

If you've considered the possibility of hiring a virtual assistant but aren't too sure what you can expect, if you are within the Spokane – Colville area between May 22 and May 28, give me a call and we can meet either at the golf course or at a neutral location to go over more information.

While I might not be tourney material, I do have a mean swing. I hope to hear from some local companies and maybe play some golf at the same time.



Question of the Day

What are your thoughts on the Iranian tariffs going back into effect? Do you believe they will harm our economy or help it? [Leave your thoughts on our Little Nuggets page](#) and we'll see where local business owners stand.



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